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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: William Ng

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VIRTUAL TRADE FINANCIAL
ENVIRONMENT

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Examiner: Michael A. Cuff

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2008. Please amend the above-identified as follows and consider the accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.